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(8) that there are lands to the east of the Government hospital, which could be conveniently acquired for its proposed extension ; and

(c) whether, having regard to the injury that will be caused to the Mission by the proposed acquisition, the Government intend giving up the proposal ?

A.—The question of acquiring certain Mission buildings in Calicut for the extension of the Headquarter hospital is still under the consideration of the Government.

Report of the British Social Hygiene Council Delegation.

* 879 Q.—Mrs. S. MUTHULAKSEMI REDDI: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the report of the British Social Hygiene Council Delegation has been received by the Local Government, and if so, when ;

(b) when the Government propose to publish the report for the information of the public ; and

(c) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table of the House a copy of the report sent to the Local Government by British Social Hygiene Council Delegation ?

A.—(a) The report was received on the 5th September 1927.

(b) & (c) The question of publishing the report and of placing a copy of it on the Council table will be considered by the Government.

Recruitment of Civil Assistant Surgeons.

* 880 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have arrived at any decision with regard to the holding of competitive examinations for recruitment of Civil Assistant Surgeons ;

(b) whether any persons without the war service have been employed after the competitive examinations have been held in abeyance in 1918 ;

(c) if so, how many ;

(d) whether there are any special reasons for adopting this course ;

(e) what they are ; and

(f) whether there are any more men who have rendered war services and not been provided with appointments ?

A.—(a) Yes. Copies of G.O. No. 975, P.H., dated 16th May 1927, and G.O. No. 1291, P.H., dated 27th June 1927, on the subject are laid on the table.^a

(b) Yes.

(c) Twenty.